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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

**In the Claims**

Claims 1-109 (canceled)

110. (currently amended) A method for preparing a nanoparticle formulation for administering one or more physiologically effective substances to the central nervous system comprising:

a) providing nanoparticles consisting essentially of a polymeric material comprising one or more monomeric or oligomeric precursors polymerized in the presence of one or more stabilizers, and loaded with one or more physiologically effective substances ~~The method of claim 102, wherein the stabilizers are selected from the group consisting of polysorbate 85, and dextran 12,000 and mixtures thereof; and optionally~~

b) loading an effective amount of one or more physiologically effective substances to be delivered to the central nervous system of the patient into or onto the nanoparticles or both; and optionally

c) providing the nanoparticles in a medium allowing the transport of the nanoparticles to the central nervous system of a patient.

Claims 111-136. (canceled)